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Serial No.: 09/911,108 : Group Art Unit: 3738  
Filed: July 23, 2001 : Examiner:

For: ABSORBENT ARTICLES COMPRISING A MATERIAL HAVING A HIGH  
VERTICAL WICKING CAPACITY

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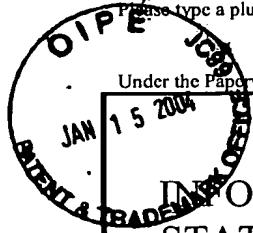
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